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SUBJECT: PROPOSED NEW SECURITY POSITIONS

THE OFFICE OF SECURITY IS CURRENTLY PREPARING A FY-1977
SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET. SUBJECT TO YOUR APPROVAL, NEW SECURITY
POSITIONS AND SUPPORT COSTS ARE PLANNED TO BE REQUESTED
FOR THE FOLLOWING POSTS:

BANGKOK - 1 TECHNICAL SECURITY OFFICER

SEOUL - 1 FSS-7 SECRETARY

SEOUL - 1 REGIONAL SECURITY OFFICER

TOKYO - 1 TECHNICAL SECURITY OFFICER

THE OVERALL INCREASE IN SECURITY OFFICER AND SECRETARIAL
POSITIONS IS DESIGNED TO PROVIDE GREATER FLEXIBILITY
IN RESPONSE TO EMERGENCY NEEDS AND AN ADDITIONAL CAPABILITY
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TO INCREASE THE LEVEL OF PERSONAL PROTECTION OF OUR

AMBASSADOR'S AND OTHER HIGH VISIBILITY PERSONNEL. EACH SECURITY OFFICER WILL RECEIVE A SPECIAL LEVEL OF PROTECTIVE SECURITY TRAINING. THIS WOULD IMPROVE OUR CAPABILITY NOT ONLY TO REGULARLY EXAMINE THE SPECIFIC PERSONAL PROTECTIVE MEASURES FOR THE CHIEFS OF MISSIONS BUT ALSO GIVES US A QUICK LOCAL RESPONSE TO EMERGENCIES ARISING IN THE SAME GEOGRAPHIC REGION.

THE INCREASE IN TECHNICAL SECURITY OFFICERS IS TO SUPPORT THE STEADY GROWTH OF TECHNICAL SECURITY EQUIPMENT AND INCREASED DEMANDS FOR TECHNICAL SECURITY SERVICE FROM FOREIGN SERVICE MISSIONS.

THE OFFICE OF SECURITY WOULD GREATLY APPRECIATE YOUR CONCURRENCE ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE POSITION(S) AT YOUR POST. PLEASE DIRECT YOUR RESPONSES TO SY/MGT, MR. JOSEPH TERRANOVA, JR. ROBINSON

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